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## **Sen. Birkholz says closing of JCI plant devastating, vows to keep fighting for Michigan jobs**

**LANSING** – Sen. Patty Birkholz, R-Saugatuck Twp., offered the following comments on the announcement that Johnson Controls Interiors is closing a local plant in her district:

“The families of those who are losing their jobs at Johnson Controls Interiors are in our thoughts every day. The closing of this plant is devastating. JCI is Allegan County’s third largest taxpayer and one of the area’s largest employers. This is a huge blow to Holland and the surrounding communities. I assure everyone that we will continue looking at job creation opportunities and will fight to keep every Michigan job. We need to make sure Michigan is doing everything it can to become more competitive in the global marketplace. Only then will we prevent future job losses from companies leaving town.”

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